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Textile Exports
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of Textiles exports in the year 2015-16

(b) the scale of competition in textiles from countries like Bangladesh and Vietnam

(c) whether the above said countries have access to developed markets at lower tariff; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to make Indian textile industry more competitive in this regard?

Answer

(a) India exported US$ 39.9 billion worth of textiles and apparel including handicraft during 2015-16.

(b) India is facing stiff competition from countries like Bangladesh and Vietnam. Since 2011, textile and apparel exports from Bangladesh and Vietnam has increased at a growth rate of 5% and 9% respectively while India's export has grown by only 2%.

(c) Yes Madam. The details are given in Annexure I

(d) The developed countries extend preferential duties to various countries based on factors like LDC, bilateral relations, Free Trade Agreement (FTAs) etc.
In order to increase the competitiveness of textile and apparel industry, Government has recently announced a package for apparel sector. The details of package are given in Annexure II